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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total-285) Pages S11312-13, S11330-31

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, October 30, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11389.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NUCLEAR WEAPONS STOCKPILE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held hearings to examine certain funding issues with regard to how the Department of Energy's Stockpile Stewardship and Management program maintains the safety and reliability of the nation's nuclear weapons stockpile, receiving testimony from Federico Peña, Secretary, and Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs, both of the Department of Energy; and Harold P. Smith, Jr., Assistant to the Secretary for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs, and Franklin C. Miller, Acting Assistant Secretary for International Security Policy, both of the Department of Defense.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

SECURITIES LITIGATION STANDARDS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:Subcommittee on Securities concluded hearings on S. 1260, to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law by setting national standards for stocks that are traded on the national markets, after receiving testimony from Representatives White and Eshoo; Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, and Isaac C. Hunt, Commissioner, both of the Securities and Exchange Commission; Mayor Harry Smith, Greenwood, Mississippi, on behalf of the National League of Cities; Herbert E. Milstein, Cohen, Milstein, Hausfeld, and Toll, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the National Association of Securities and Commercial Law Attorneys; Thomas E. O'Hara, Royal Oaks, Michigan, on behalf of the National Association of Investors Corporation; Robert C. Hinckley, Xilinx, Inc., San Jose, California, on behalf of the American Electronics Association; Daniel Cooperman, Oracle Corporation, Redwood Shores, California, on behalf of the Software Publishers Association; and Michael A. Perino, Stanford University School of Law, Stanford, California.

NATO ENLARGEMENT

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain implications of NATO enlargement on the United States economy, European Union expansion, and the European Monetary Union, after receiving testimony from James A. Baker, Baker and Botts, former Secretary of State and Secretary of the Treasury, and Susan Eisenhower, Center for Political and Strategic Studies, both of Washington, D.C.

AVIATION ACCIDENT COMPENSATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 943 and H.R. 2005, bills to allow a dependent of a victim of an international aviation accident occurring on or after January 1, 1995, to sue for pecuniary loss, after receiving testimony from Senator Specter; Hans Ephraimson-Abt, Ridgewood, New Jersey, on behalf of the American Association for Families of KAL 007 Victims; A. Frank Carven, III, Bel Air, Maryland, on behalf of the Families of TWA Flight 800 Association, Inc.; William Huggett, Huggett Law Firm, Miami, Florida; and Andrew J. Harakas, Stamford. Connecticut.

NOAA CORPS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries concluded hearings to examine the future of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps, and related proposals, including S. 877, to disestablish NOAA's Corps of Commissioned Officers while maintaining NOAA's services for managing the nation's natural resources and improving the cost-effectiveness of the program, after receiving testimony from D. James Baker, Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, and Frank DeGeorge, Inspector General, both of the Department of Commerce; L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Christian Andreasen, International Hydrographic Organization, North Potomac, Maryland; Cheryl Glang, NOAA Officers' Wives Club, Germantown, Maryland; and Whitemarsh S. Smith, III, Charleston Branch Pilots' Association, Charleston, South Carolina.

MOUNT ST. HELENS MINERAL RIGHTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 638, to provide for acquisition of private mineral rights held by Burlington Northern Incorporated and the

Weyerhauser Company within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument, after receiving testimony from Robert Anderson, Deputy Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty, and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; George Sharp, Weyerhauser Company, Tacoma, Washington; John S. Geyer, Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Co., Denver, Colorado; and Harry J. Olson, Lakewood, Colorado.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Kenneth R. Wykle, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation;

Provisions of H.R. 1658, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1998 through 2000 for programs of the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act, with an amendment:

S. 1258, to prohibit illegal aliens from receiving relocation assistance associated with Federal projects and grants with an amendment:

and grants, with an amendment;

S. 1219, to require the establishment of a research and grant program for the eradication or control of Pfiesteria piscicida and other aquatic toxins, with an amendment; and

S. 1324, to deauthorize a portion of the federal navigation channel at Bernard Bayou, Mississippi.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of David L. Aaron, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, Mary Ann Cohen, of California, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, Margaret Ann Hamburg, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, Stanford G. Ross, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board, David W. Wilcox, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and Charles Rossotti, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Department of the Treasury.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Mr. Aaron, Ms. Cohen, Ms. Hamburg, Mr. Ross and Mr. Wilcox (all listed above), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Aaron was introduced by Senator Baucus, and Ms. Hamburg was introduced by Senators D'Amato and Moynihan.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of William Dale Montgomery, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the

Republic of Croatia, Harriet C. Babbitt, of Arizona, to be Deputy Administrator, Terrence J. Brown, of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator for Management, and Thomas H. Fox, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Administrator for Policy and Program Coordination, all of the Agency for International Development, Amy L. Bondurant, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, Kirk K. Robertson, of Virginia, to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Joseph A. Presel, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan, Stanley Tuemler Escudero, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Azerbaijan, B. Lynn Pascoe, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of Service as Special Negotiator for Nagorno-Karabakh, Steven Karl Pifer, of California, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Lyndon Lowell Olson, Jr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to Sweden, Gerald S. McGowan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Portugal, Kathryn Linda Haycock Proffitt, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta, James Catherwood Hormel, of California, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, and David B. Hermelin, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Norway, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Babbitt was introduced by Senator McCain, Ms. Bondurant was introduced by Senators Ford and Hollings, Mr. Robertson was introduced by Senators Bumpers, Hutchinson, and Bond, Ms. Proffitt was introduced by Senator Dorgan, Mr. McGowan was introduced by Senators Abraham and Levin, Mr. Olson was introduced by Senator Hutchison, Mr. Hormel was introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, and Mr. Hermelin was introduced by Senators Abraham and Levin.

U.S.-MEXICO COUNTERDRUG EFFORTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded joint hearings with the Caucus on International Narcotics Control to examine United States-Mexican cooperation on counter-narcotics efforts, after receiving testimony from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Thomas J. Kneir, Deputy Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and James S. Milford, Jr., Acting Deputy Administrator, and Donald F. Ferrarone, former Special Agent-in-Charge, Houston Field Division, both of the Drug Enforcement Administration, all of the Department of Justice; Jeffrey Davidow, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs; Samuel H. Banks, Acting Commissioner, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and Roy

Godson, Georgetown University/National Strategy Information Center, Washington, D.C.

CAMPAIGN FINANCING INVESTIGATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee resumed hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, receiving testimony from Lanny A. Breuer, Special Counsel to the President; Michael X. Imbroscio, Associate Counsel to the President; and Charles Ruff, Chief White House Counsel; and Richard Jenrette, Equitable Life Insurance Company, New York, New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of James S. Ware, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Lynn S. Adelman, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Charles R. Breyer, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Frank C. Damrell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Martin J. Jenkins, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Michael McCuskey, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, G. Patrick Murphy, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, and Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Messrs. Ware, Breyer, Damrell, and Jenkins were introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, Mr. Adelman was introduced by Senators Kohl and Feingold, Mr. McCuskey was introduced by Senators Moseley-Braun and Durbin and Representative Evans, Mr. Murphy was introduced by Senators Moseley-Braun and Durbin, and Ms. Massiah-Jackson was introduced by Senators Specter and Santorum and Representatives Foglietta and Fattah.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition concluded hearings to examine certain antitrust implications of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed and distributed in America, after receiving testimony from Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Meyer Koplow, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen, and Katz, New York, New York; and Frank J. Chaloupka, IV, University of Illinois, Chicago.

INDIAN GAMING REGULATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1077, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to revise certain definitions and to establish the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Commission as an independent United States agency to establish minimum Federal standards for background investigations, internal control systems, and licensing, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein and Bryan; David Hayes, Counselor to the Secretary of the Interior; Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice: Tadd Johnson, National Indian Gaming Commission, Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors' Association, Ernie Stevens, Jr., National Congress of American Indians, and Richard G. Hill, National Indian Gaming Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Anthony R. Pico, Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians, Alpine, California; Milo Yellow Hair, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, on behalf of the Great Plains Indian Gaming Association; David Kwail, Yavapai-Apache Indian Nation, Phoenix, Arizona; and Frank L. Chaves, New Mexico Indian Gaming Association, Bernalillo, New Mexico.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 2757–2772; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 180–181, and H. Res. 286, 287, and 289, were introduced. Page H9729

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2645, to make technical corrections related to the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 and certain other tax legislation, amended (H. Rept. 105–356); and

H. Res. 288, providing for consideration of H.R. 2746, to amend title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to give parents with low incomes the opportunity to choose the appropriate school for their children; and H.R. 2616, to